



MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT

UGANDA BIOGAS AND ELECTRIC COOKING PROJECT (UBEP)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR DESIGN AND DELIVERY OF THE UGANDA BIOGAS AND ELECTRIC COOKING PROJECT (UBEP) – ECOOKING SUBSIDY

Procurement No. MEMD/CONS/25-26/00004/ERD

The Government of Uganda (GoU) has received funding from the African Development Bank towards the cost of the implementation of the Uganda Biogas and Electric Cooking Project (UBEP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consultancy service will support the implementation of the Targeted Subsidy Program for electric cooking appliances under the Uganda Biogas and Electric Cooking Project (UBEP). The subsidy program aims to accelerate the adoption of clean cooking technologies by supporting the deployment of up to 77,000 energy-efficient electric cooking (eCooking) appliances across major urban centers in Uganda. This will be achieved through targeted subsidy mechanisms that reduce retail prices by up to 50%, thereby improving affordability and enabling more households to transition from traditional biomass fuels to cleaner, energy-efficient cooking solutions. In addition, the assignment will generate practical evidence and lessons to inform GoU efforts to streamline and strengthen subsidy policy instruments in the clean cooking sector, in line with national goals.

The firm will play a critical role in ensuring the program's effectiveness, transparency, and sustainability by bringing in technical expertise in Result Based Financing (RBF) mechanisms, clean cooking market dynamics, financial modeling, competitive procurement strategies, and performance-based disbursement systems. By engaging the private sector, the firm will also help drive market expansion, increase supplier participation, and support consumer adoption strategies ultimately contributing to Uganda's broader electrification and clean cooking goals.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be accessed at; www.memd.go.ug and/or <https://ccumemd.ug/>

The Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development (MEMD) now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services.

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria for the firm's capability and experience are:

1. Minimum of 5 years of proven experience in designing and implementing

RBF or similar performance-based financing programs, ideally within the energy or clean cooking sector.

2. Demonstrated experience in the clean cooking and/or renewable energy sectors, with a preference for projects in sub-Saharan Africa or similar contexts. Experience in East Africa and in particular Uganda will be an added advantage. Demonstrated experience with eCooking solutions and knowledge of the challenges and opportunities in promoting electric cooking adoption in Uganda.

3. Expertise in the design, structuring, stakeholder engagement, and monitoring and evaluation of RBF programs with emphasis in household energy needs assessments, market assessments, and impact evaluations to inform effective program implementation. Ability to coordinate with local stakeholders, and manage local subcontractors or partners is key.

4. Policy and Regulatory Expertise: Experience in aligning clean cooking initiatives with national policies and securing fiscal incentives (e.g., tax exemptions, reduced import duties).

5. The firm must demonstrate adequate financial stability and robust fiduciary capacity necessary to carry out a large-scale project and ability to manage funds and processes and funds in accordance to the targets.

6. Preference for firms with an existing presence in Uganda or demonstrated experience working with Ugandan government agencies or local development partners. Proof of compliance with legal and regulatory requirements in Uganda, including relevant certifications, licenses, and approvals for conducting consultancy work in the country. Firms must be in good standing, with no record of default or misconduct in previous projects.

7. Demonstrated experience in capacity building for local organizations, government agencies, or the private sector, including training on clean cooking technologies and/or implementation of RBF mechanisms.

8. Demonstrated commitment to gender inclusivity and social inclusion in past projects, particularly in energy or clean cooking programs. Capacity to integrate strategies that ensure equitable access to electric cooking solutions across genders and marginalized groups.

9. Track record of using data-driven approaches for decision-making and

innovative solutions in program delivery. Demonstrated ability to design adaptable RBF mechanisms that respond to changing market dynamics and user needs.

Exclusivity

The appointment of the firm and the acceptance of such appointment will constitute an engagement of the firm to provide the Beneficiary with the services referred to in the Scope of Works on an exclusive basis.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (Monday to Friday, 08:00 – 17:00 hours, except on public holidays).

Expressions of Interest (One original plus three copies together soft copy in a searchable pdf) must be delivered to the address below (in person, or by courier, by **26th February, 2026 at 11:00 am** (East African Standard Time). The EOLs will be opened at **11:30 am** on the same day at the address below;

The packages must be clearly marked as;

Expression of Interest for Consultancy services for Design and Delivery of the Uganda Biogas and Electric Cooking Project (UBEP) – eCooking Subsidy.

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